

**A STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT TO THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN
BY THE BOARD AND STAFF OF CĀRITĀS AD HŪMĀNITĀTEM EDUCATION
FOUNDATION (CHEF)**

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter IV of the Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, 1999 (as amended), which promotes the fundamental rights of every Nigerian citizen, and the Nigeria Child's Rights Act (2003), the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (1989). Additionally, in accordance with the "Muto Proprio", *Vos estis lux mundi* (2019) of Pope Francis, we, the Board of Trustees and the team, staff members of **Cāritās ad Hūmānitātem Education Foundation (CHEF)** in given this commitment and states as follows:

1. We are committed to treating every child with respect, which implies that our interaction with the students will be solely based on the mission, vision, and philosophy of the foundation.
2. We will deal responsibly and appreciatively with every child and support and promote his/her school education. Through the foundation's financial support, they shall be given the time and opportunity to develop their abilities with self-confidence.
3. We will respect every child's free will and freedom of choice and, at the same time, set clear limits within the framework of our activities.
4. If we suspect that a child supported by the **Cāritās ad Hūmānitātem Education Foundation** has been exposed to sexual or other violence, we will immediately contact the school management and/or a higher authority.
5. We will encourage all children accepted into the Foundation's Education Scheme to seek the advice of trusted individuals and report suspected cases of abuse or violence within their educational and living environment.
6. For our own protection, we take care not to put ourselves in misunderstandable situations and are always prepared to provide information about our activities as a sponsoring association and/or sponsors.